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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Larson et al. Confirmation No.: 7146  
Serial No.: 10/645,136 Art Unit: 3733  
Filed: August 20, 2003 Examiner: Philogene, Pedro  
For: GUIDED RETRCTOR AND Attorney Docket No: 8932-973-999  
METHODS OF USE

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action  
dated 3/31/06 be extended for a period of 2 month(s) from 6/31/06 to and including 8/31/06.

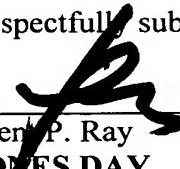
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Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 22, 2006

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